# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5703
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PAK CITIZENS KILLED IN SAMJHAUTA EXPRESS
Mahto Shri Tek Lal

**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) the number of Pakistani citizens killed in the accident in Samjhauta Express whose dead bodies were handed over to Pakistan; and

(b) the status of the on-going peace process in the aftermath of the said incident?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Sixty-eight people were killed in the incident. Forty identified dead bodies of Pakistani nationals were handed over to their relatives.

(b) The process to address outstanding bilateral issues continues. Several high level meetings have taken place since the incident. The Samjhauta tragedy underscores the need to fight terrorism.